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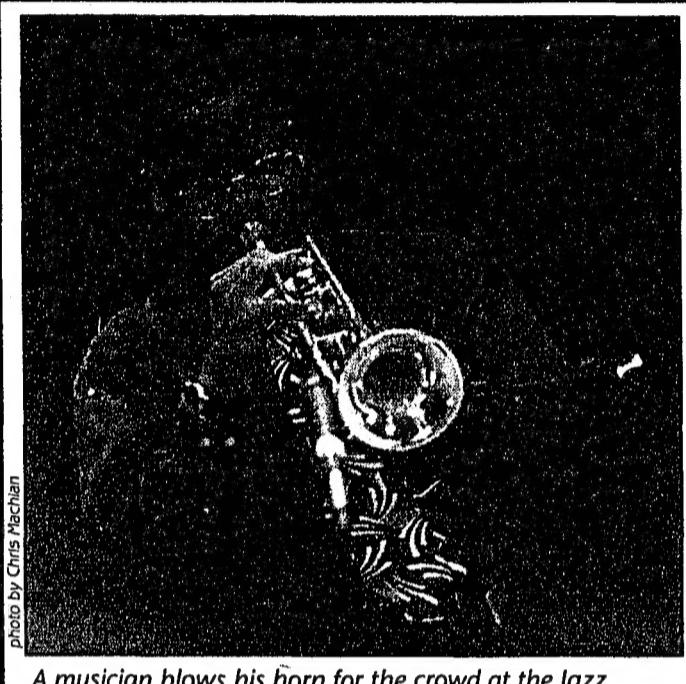


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A musician blows his horn for the crowd at the Jazz Festival, Feb. 13, at Strauss Performing Arts Centers.

FUBU: A New Expression In Black Fashion

by Helen Evans

Black males exhibit a form of cultural expression through a new line of clothing called the FUBU collection.

According to the company's profile, FUBU, an interchangeable acronym for For Us By Us or For U By Us, was begun by Daymond John in 1992. He decided to make and sell tie-top hats as a means for easy money, and started sewing the hats himself in his home in Hollis Queens. With the help of two of his neighborhood friends, Keith Perrin and Carl Brown, John began selling the hats.

J. Alexander Martin, another friend of John's, was attending the Fashion Institute of Technology for merchandising and decided he would lend technical support on how to produce a complete collection. Bulk T-shirts, rugby shirts, hockey jerseys and baseball hats were all embroidered with the FUBU logo.

The profile also said that with a \$100,000 mortgage on his home, John turned half of his house into a factory and the other half into a living space for the rest of his company. Kianga Peterson, also known as Kiki, was brought into the business to assist with design and graphics. By 1995, the entire line was

being produced by FUBU with raw materials supplied from around the world.

Rap singer and actor LL Cool J, another neighborhood friend of John's, endorsed the line in FUBU's first advertising campaign, featured in The Source magazine and on posters all over the state of New York.

"Artists like LL Cool J and video director Hype Williams have always been really supportive of us," John said.

Information supplied by FUBU described their line as a collection of active sportswear featuring T-shirts, rugby shirts, hockey jerseys, cargo and carpenter pants, outerwear, inner wear and jeans, as well as accessories.

The collection includes the 1200 Series, which uses new fabrics such as laminated polo fleece and foam-infused polyester, both exclusive to the FUBU collection. The 1200 Series features embroidered reflective patches and an embroidered FUBU logo.

When asked why he wears FUBU clothing, UNO junior Robert Brown said, "I wear FUBU because it is a black-owned label and I think it is important to support

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Does College Make the Grade?

by Jon Shradar

Amid cries for teachers to crack down and make college a trying experience, students are faced with the concern of grade inflation.

Many professors and students across the nation are questioning whether easy teaching and grading have declined the value of a degree.

This can effect the reputations of schools, which make admission to professional and graduate schools a problem. And universities in Nebraska are not immune.

In a study reviewing Nebraska's universities, Creighton, UNL, UNK and UNO, grade-point averages gained almost a full point over 30 years. So now an average for a senior is a B or above.

Creighton University's average rose the most from 2.82 in 1986 to 3.15 in 1996. UNO's average was 2.82 in 1986 and 2.86 in 1996.

UNO Vice Chancellor for academic affairs Ernest J. Peck Jr. said that UNO's averages "didn't necessarily reflect grade inflation".

Some cite the Vietnam War as a starting point for grade inflation. The reasoning is that professors became more lenient on students, keeping them in school and out of the draft.

Others think schools have become too "customer oriented."

"In order to keep students, we sent them signals that 'you are consumers and we're here to serve you,'" said UNO sociologist, Lourdes Gouveia. In this theory, students expect a good grade just because they paid tuition.

UNL Chancellor James Moeser recently questioned publicly if professors are being demanding enough in classes and grading. "This does not mean we want to flunk out more of our students," Moeser said. Moeser also included that the university needed to "increase the level of rigor on this (UNL) campus."

Moeser later said that L. Dennis Smith, president of the University

of Nebraska system, "had expressed a desire to raise standards on all campuses."

On Friday, a group of UNO students discussed grade inflation in the student center during lunch. The students pointed out that with the advent of new technology and learning materials, possibly students have become "smarter" in the past 30 years.

An anonymous student embraced the idea that grade inflation may not be all bad because of the situation of the student. Her argument was that many students work outside of school long hours just to afford to live and many do not have as much time to study.

For the most part, when students around campus were asked about grade inflation, they did not see it as a problem, but just as another obstacle for "Generation Xers" to conquer.

Beyond Calories: When Weight Is A Control, Not Food Issue.

by Bonnie Roseberry

Fear of fat drives many people into gyms and weight-loss programs every year. Low self-esteem and unexpressed feelings of need, shame, guilt and anger can feed the fear and lead to disordered eating.

With a desperate desire to maintain a sense of control over some

area of their lives, some individuals lose the sense of food's real purpose — to provide energy. Anorexics, bulimics and compulsive eaters use food and their bodies to gain control or to direct their attention from uncontrollable emotions.

During Eating Disorders Awareness Week, Feb. 23 to 27, groups and individuals across the United States will hold presentations and free screenings to help raise public awareness of eating disorders and to help victims recognize the character of their disorders and the need for getting professional help.

make you fat. Don't get fat." She ate less, but her body developed anyway.

Feeling like a failure, Julie turned to food. She ate regular meals right after bingeing on hamburgers from three fast-food restaurants. "I couldn't tell when I was hungry," she said.

Attempting to purge the excess food and painful emotions, Julie took handfuls of diuretics and laxatives and "ran in place." She knew she had a problem with her eating and exercising behavior, but couldn't change and was afraid to ask for help. After several years of

living with bulimia, Julie experienced painful, irregular heart rhythms that scared her into seeking professional help.

According to the University of Nebraska Medical Center, bulimia nervosa, a disorder involving binge eating and purging, is accompanied by feelings of guilt or shame. A bulimic individual may eat to push down the emotions that sit in the pit of her stomach in order to keep them from rising out, then purge to get rid of the food and emotions in what she perceives to be a controlled way. Because purging doesn't keep the body from absorbing caloric energy from the food, most bulimics maintain normal or above normal body weights.

UNMC information states, individuals with anorexia nervosa become preoccupied with diets. Lost weight becomes a measurement of success that gives them a sense of control. Once their weight levels off, they eat even less to achieve more success until they reach a state of chronic semi-starvation. About 10 percent of anorexics continue this pattern until their organ systems fail and they die.

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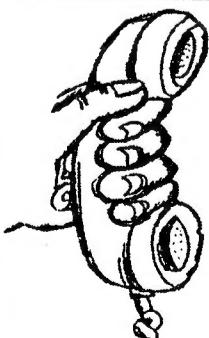
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Funding Much Debated at Student Senate Meeting

by Kristine Kohlmeier

No, the chain will not budge, reported the Student Affairs Committee at the Thursday meeting of Student Senate.

This issue, along with several funding issues, was the agenda for the Senate meeting.

The chain, which prevents students from taking a shortcut to the Student Center, will not be removed, despite Student Senate attempts. This is mainly because the sidewalk is not correctly angled, making it a potential hazard. In response to growing student complaint, a sidewalk near it is planned for construction in the spring.

The library is currently open until 11 p.m. Sunday - Thursday. An attempt is being made to extend those hours until midnight. This issue has failed in the past because too few people visit the library near closing time to justify keeping it open later. An idea was proposed to have the building open only as a study center. This way, extra staff would not be needed to keep library resources working. Extended library hours was a platform for Student President/Regent Sanchez during his campaign.

New appointments at the meeting included Jon Shradar to Student Court Justice and Jeffrey Leanna to the Athletic Programming Committee.

The fall break is "moving along," said Regent Sanchez. Sanchez is still working on his election promise. Both UNL and UNK Student Senates have passed measures recommending a fall break. A survey conducted during Sanchez's election campaign showed 79 percent of students support such a break. Currently, the fall semester runs 11 weeks without a break.

Sara Karpan from Student Health Services came to speak about National Collegiate Health Week, March 9-15. During the week, booths present topics such as fitness, healthy lifestyles, alcohol and drug abuse, and smoking. To entice students, they distribute T-shirts and other items. Student Senate allocated money to fund the shirts.

Additional funding was also proposed for the Women's Resource Center (WRC) and the American Multicultural Committee (AMC). Both organizations were nearly nonexistent

a year before, proponents argued. This year alone, they have grown greatly and helped many people. With more money, the programs can continue to expand and improve.

Sanchez opposed the issue, feeling agencies should not

receive more money when they go over budget. He encouraged WRC and AMC to recruit volunteers more aggressively.

Many senators felt Sanchez was being unrealistic.

"It's our duty to make these agencies reach their full potential," DeAnn Hanisch said. She challenged other senators to do extensive volunteer work and see how heavily budget affected an organization's output. The measure passed shortly thereafter, granting WRC and AMC funds.

In other news, reserved parking stalls may be opened to students late at night so they can park closer to campus buildings. Also, a breakdown of student fees will be posted in the display case by the Fireplace Lounge.

The next meeting of Student Senate will be at 7 p.m. Feb. 26. All meetings are open to the public.

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Koneck Speaks About Involvement, City Issues

by Kristine Kohlmeier

Omaha city councilman Paul Koneck shows that someone from South Omaha not born into a political family can make it after all.

Koneck visited UNO on Wednesday to speak about political involvement and city issues. The event was sponsored by UNO Democrats.

Koneck said he grew up in a middle-class family in South Omaha. In 1991, he graduated from UNO with a degree in history. His interest in politics began through community service and his studies in history. When stationed in Europe during Desert Storm, he was able to see politics in action.

Back in Omaha, Koneck said he received a phone call from the "Kerrey for President" campaign. His first political project was distributing fliers for Bob Kerrey outside of the Milo Bail Student Center. He continued working for the Democratic party and helped begin UNO's Student Democrats.

"Being involved had affected me in a positive way," Koneck said, adding that he met his wife through political activities.

Meeting the Clintons at a presidential caucus in 1991 was particularly inspiring for him. Koneck remembered introducing himself to Bill Clinton while wearing a "Kerrey for President" shirt in a barn in South Dakota. While waiting in line for the restroom, he met Hillary Clinton. She gave him her

"Clinton for President" button. From then on, Koneck was certain that Clinton would win the election.

On the day of Clinton's inauguration in 1993, Koneck announced he would run for city council. The incumbent had been in office for 12 years and was 72 years old. Running with the theme "back to basics," Koneck began a grassroots campaign and went door to door to meet the voters.

Koneck ran his campaign by the book, literally. His wife Susan found a book at the library titled "How To Win Your First Political Campaign." "By speaking with people in the community, Koneck focused his campaign on the issues of streets, sewers, police protection, libraries and park maintenance.

"Not helicopters and arches," he added. Koneck upset his opponent in the election and quickly got to work on his issues and others affecting the community.

In a question and answer session, he commented on city issues. The bulk of the questions dealt with the current state of the police.

In regard to continuous police-camera usage, Koneck said the city council is asking for a price estimate. The police department's budget has soared from \$35 million in 1994 to \$63 million in 1998, Koneck said. The department only has 14 more officers than they did at that time, Koneck said.

When negotiating the police



Paul Koneck talks about his past and future at the UNO Student Democrats meeting Feb. 11.

union's contract, two specialty pay jobs were proposed. One was a \$100 per month bonus for helicopter pilots. The other was a \$50 per month bonus for bilingual officers. The bilingual officer bonus was removed from the contract, and Mayor Hal Daub threatened to veto the entire contract if the bonus was included in any other way, Koneck

said.

Other programs are still being implemented. Officers who want to learn Spanish can attend night classes offered through the Police Division. Koneck also mentioned working on the issue of cultural sensitivity among police officers in South Omaha.

Regarding the Mayor Daub re-

call attempt, Koneck was still confident a later petition would be successful. "It's the ultimate power to the people," he said. Koneck publicly stated support for the recall and signed the petition.

In appreciation of Koneck's visit, Student Democrats presented him with a certificate and made him an honorary member.

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Gateway Opinion

Meaning of Faith

opinion by Todd Nelson

Why is faith considered a religious word? Webster's defines faith as "4. Anything believed, 5. Complete trust, confidence, or reliance." For example, believing that the sun will rise in the east and set in the west, or that the elevators we ride will reach their destinations (and let us off). It is apparent that faith is an eternal aspect of humanity, all of us have something we believe.

If you are willing to believe that our lives are a marvelous example of chance, then there isn't anything that I can say that will convince you otherwise. But if you have questioned the likelihood of chance, or felt that there was something missing to your current understanding of life, I would like to share with you my reasons for believing in God.

My arguments for the existence of God are simplistic. I'll leave the "true" proofs for people more capable than I, or at least until I'm more capable. My first argument is that chance isn't an explanation of how

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human life came into being. The thousands upon thousands of independent chances do not create a likely theory. Another argument begs that we look at the world's religions. Anthropologists, in their studies, have long used religion to identify regions, cultures and people. Proving to me that it can almost be called a human need to believe in the supernatural, or a supernatural being. It is almost as if something fundamental is missing in our existence.

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Seeking to understand a being, who by definition is beyond comprehension, will always be a time-consuming journey. Ultimately, it must be God that guides us and encourages us along the way. Believe that the path exists and is worth following. God awaits the faithful.

"Come now, let us reason together..." (Isaiah 1:18 RSV)



Don't Stand So Close To Me

By Kelley Garry
College Press Service

He's cute, smart and sweet. You can tell by the way he looks at you that the attraction is mutual. The problem is he's your economics professor. Do you date him or do you let him go? Maybe. That's what we heard from students and professors alike.

"There is no way I would EVER date a professor. Don't you people watch Ally McBeal?" says Christy, a student at Florida State University. "It would end up in disaster. I would break up a marriage, and if he passed away what the hell do you say at the funeral to his wife and kids." When asked what she would do if the prof of her choice was single,

Christy replied, "I probably would be more likely to date him if he didn't have any wife or kids. Isn't that sick? But that is the truth." And what's wrong with that? Isn't what we're talking about — a romantic relationship between a student and a professor — a consensual relationship between two adults that can't and shouldn't be regulated by the schools involved? We're all adults. What could happen? Plenty, says Gwen (not her real name) a former student from an unnamed Eastern University.

Gwen was a Sophomore when she ended up in a romantic relationship with her drama professor while still a student in his class. She was 19 and he was 29. "The first time I saw him I thought he was attractive, charismatic," says Gwen, "but it never crossed my mind, 'Gee I'd really like to date my professor.'" Gwen takes a deep breath and says, "I had a lot of personal problems that year." And she did.

The last straw came when Gwen found out her roommate had slept with her boyfriend.

One night, soon after her discovery, Gwen's drama class attended a play. Gwen's boyfriend showed up and tried to talk to her, but she told him to "get away," which he did, but after he left she started to cry. The lights went up and, says Gwen,

"Here comes my professor bouncing down the stairs, 'Looks like you need to talk.'" So Gwen and her professor went out to dinner that night after the play. During dinner they talked about Gwen's situation. She did not want to go back to her room. "I was going to crash at the theater," she says, "[Then he said] 'Come crash at my place.' We sat up watching the Honeymooners and thumb-wrestling...." And then one thing lead to another.

Gwen and her professor were together for a couple of months, "Part of that time was over Christmas," she points out, then he dumped her. "He never told me he

wait until the student is no longer in the professor's class and maybe that should be the rule, "because then there isn't that conflict of interest in terms of grading," she says. But she adds: "I'm not a big believer in rules. I always feel like common sense should prevail.... and obviously I didn't have a lot of it."

"I think it should be prohibited," said Julie, a lecturer at Minneapolis College of Art and Design. "You could be coercing them [the students] without knowing it." And, says Julie, "If they are not in your class it could encourage them to take or not take your class." Julie knows firsthand what she's talking

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was dumping me. He just blew me off." So Gwen says she became obsessed with him. "My whole goal was to get him back. It was not a good situation. I'm still in his class and I did succeed in getting him back once." But then something unbelievable happened. Gwen found out he was dating another student in her class. Not only that, but prior to Gwen he had dated a third student who was also in this same drama class.

"The woman he was dating before me, she saw his pattern and kind of rallied people around. We went in with the dean and had this meeting." In the end the professor was asked to resign. He did.

Gwen says in hindsight she can see his pattern and how he preyed on her vulnerability.

"I go through a really bitter stage," she says. "Then I take responsibility and there are times I question whether he should have been kicked out." When asked if there should be a rule against students dating professors Gwen says she thinks that the couple should

about. When Julie was in grad school a friend of hers (who was about 24) did have a thing for a professor. In fact they ended up married — and divorced. "But they waited until she was done with class," she emphasized. But beyond the complications a romantic relationship with a student can provide, Julie says that for a professor: "It undermines your credibility. How can you be taken seriously with colleagues?" Plus these days, says Julie, legal trouble is a definite possibility. "Now people are suing schools for not getting an A...." So why not sue if a relationship with a professor caused you trauma. It's too stupid," says Julie.

So what are a star-crossed student and professor to do? Check your school's policy on the matter and then wait! At the very least, wait until there is no longer a power relationship between the two of you. Don't let common sense lose out to scarlet Ps.

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This Ain't No Disco: the Jesus Lizard Writhe

music review by Renée Novy and Ana Merizalde

"Hello, we're Vanilla Ice," the Jesus Lizard lead singer, David Yow, slurs before jumping into the tide of the crowd, signaling the first song.

You pretty much know you're in for a ride when the body surfing begins before the music. That's the Jesus Lizard for you.

The band packed the Ranch Bowl on a Thursday night, offering up a triplet punk delight with Stanford Prison Experiment and Omaha's own (yawn), Ravine.

Maybe we're a little overexposed to the band from flapping around so much in our own backyard wading pool of a punk scene. Whether it's John Wayne Gacy, Ritual Device or Ravine, these guys pretty much sound the same.

This evening, Ravine was recorded for a feature film score by Alan Hatfield, another Omaha native. The recording was made for RNA Productions out of Hollywood. We hope the tape scares the life out of the Valley. We escaped the hall to avoid having to hear them one more time, reemerging after the coast is clear of Tim Moss' band.

As the floor readies for the next act, some girl with a cotton-candy-colored Oy coiffure screams into the ear of the girl next to her: "I hear these guys are actually supposed to be good." A four-piece, Stanford Prison Experiment climbs the big

step to the stage. The drummer and bassist look like career punks that turn on to take their work seriously. The lead singer looks an awfully lot like Joe Lally of Fugazi and the guitarist looks like he just escaped a Dilbertian cubicle with the funky striped power tie he's sporting.

Nevertheless, they're (thankfully) heavy on bass-charged intermingled guitar leads, controlled screams and fat cymbal smashes. They're also pretty adept at mixing quick hits of silence between sonic rumblings.

Rumor has it that their name emerged from the fact that the lead singer was subjected to a forced lobotomy. Stanford Prison Experiment lit the crowd afire before leaving.

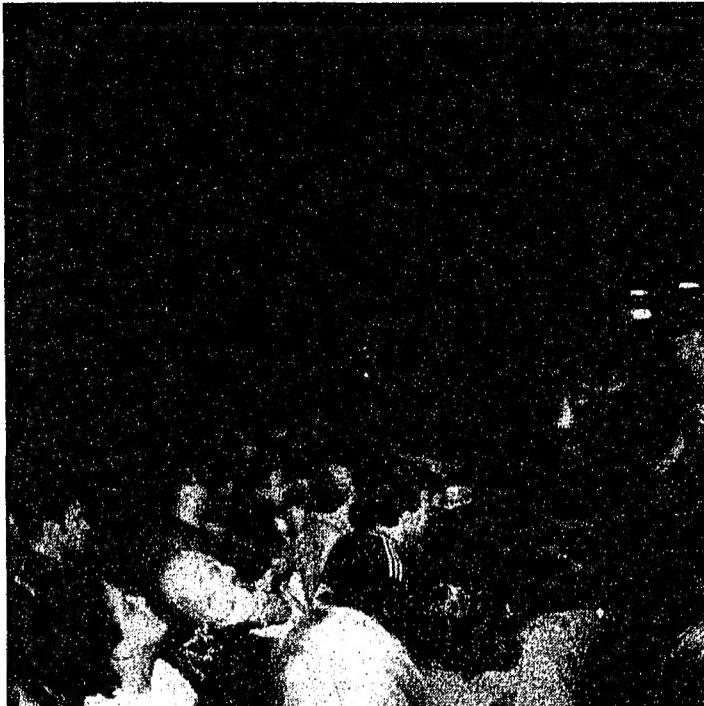
It felt like they'd been gone just a few minutes before the Jesus Lizard was up and jumping into the belly of the crowd. Amazing, considering how long it usually takes between bands at this venue.

Yow, between driving matched basslines and drumbeats, was cradled across the stage by a gargantuan security guard. Legs swinging, torso curled around his microphone, he blasted vocals, delivering exactly what the crowd was looking for. He's been quoted in the past, saying he shouldn't because that's exactly what's expected of him.

You really can't be all that surprised by the pyrotechnics of tJL shows. This band was banned at one point from playing anywhere in the city of Seattle due to injuries and reported deaths at past shows. Yow had to go to the hospital himself because of some not-so-pretty scrapes with the underside of the body waves.

Tonight, his black boots violate faces that don't seem to care. His body is indistinguishable from the painted-black form of a girl who keeps surfing right at Yow. Security has to fight to keep the mike cord unfurled. Yow's 10 feet into the crowd, suspended. Otherwise, security seems completely out of control. Cigarettes extinguish on faces. The crowd gyrates madly in a violent trance to the co-mingling sonics of Duane Denison's guitar and David Wm., Sims bass, as Mac McNeilly's cymbals and drums collide furiously. Some guy keeps yelling "this ain't no disco" in the lulls between songs.

Most of the songs the Jesus Lizard played came from their releases "Goat" and "Liar." Imaginably, this tour stop riled fans for the upcoming release titled "Blue" (according to the record company's web site). However, reports differ as to whether "Blue" is going to be the EP listed on local record stores' upcoming release charts. Homer's



the Jesus Lizard rocked the Ranch Bowl with help from Stanford Prison Experiment and Ravine.

photo by John Hammie

(downtown) has the band's name listed, but no title and no definite release date other than sometime this February. "Blue" could be the full length CD some are hoping for. Either way, devotees of the band are going to have to wait patiently.

If you've ever avoided going to a punk show for fear of your personal safety, this may be a band

you'll want to avoid. The Jesus Lizard isn't for the squeamish and they won't miss you. However, if you need a quick respite after working a couple of underpaid internships, throw your clutch into overdrive and come get the bad energy sucked out. Even if you hate the music, you'll have fun.

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The Reverend Horton Heat Screams, "Welcome To Texas"

review by Mary Brannen

Grease was in the air last Sunday night as The Reverend Horton Heat stumbled drunkenly into the Ranch Bowl's Nick and Erik's place. Young boys waited for this day when they could apply 10 ounces of grease to their hair and wear their pants cuffed up just enough to show off their unique array of socks. The young women waited, patiently, for the right moment to expose their breasts to the crowd of young greased-up men.

Exiled to the corner by a bright orange snow fence with the rest of my fellow non-drinkers, I sat on the oh so familiar, cigarette-burned carpet eagerly awaiting the show. A roar of anticipation erupted from the throng as the theme song to "Dallas" introduced the band. The band is led by the Reverend Horton Heat, an eastern Texas juvenile correction facility alumni, who plays guitar and is lead vocalist. The first words the Reverend spoke answered an imaginary question, supposedly asked by a member of the audience. "If I was a Spice Girl what spice would I be?" His response: "Old Spice." The drummer, Scott Churilla, responded, "Sick, Horny Spice".

Churilla is praised by the Reverend as being the best drummer he has ever performed with. Up-right bassist, Jimbo, is praised (by the Reverend) as being the man most likely to pull up on his bike carrying a six-pack. Not to mention, Jimbo gives a new meaning to the word "slap-happy."

The Reverend Horton Heat produces a hard core, rockabilly, fast drinking, feet stomping, southern sound. A sound that can be summed up into one simple word, psychobilly.

the decided lack of dynamics.

The Reverend Horton Heat has a distinct sound, much like performer Tom Waits. Like Waits, their music has a film quality to it. A Quinton Terantino or Robert Rodriguez film would fit the Reverend's style very well. The popular "Pulp Fiction" soundtrack, which contains many fine examples of the rockabilly, surf-rock genre, is a good example. Note songs such as, "Misirlou" performed by Dick Dale and His Del-Tones, or "Surf Rider" performed by the Lively Ones.

For another tidbit see the Reverend in his cameo debut in "Love and a '45." A few songs are performed

on that soundtrack as well.

Between songs, the Reverend turned to Jimbo and asked him, "how would you promote world peace?" Jimbo answered wisely, "I would promote world peace by everyone getting a piece that promotes world peace" (good answer, Jimbo...?). Jimbo scored very low in the bathing suit contest and was not crowned Miss America. The crowd wiped the tears from their eyes and the Reverend declared it "Martini Time" (the title track off their new album, "It's Martini Time"). The album focuses, in its entirety, on women, booze and good, clean hard living. It includes such songs as "Generation Why," "Time To Play" and their comically spoken word, jazz beat tune, "That's Showbiz."

I feel inclined to put a shout-out to the opening band, Let's Go Bowling. These boys were a swinging good time. However, I didn't expect them to be as good as the name implies. If you like ska music, don't miss these guys the next time they come to your nearest bowling alley. As for The Reverend Horton Heat, a fan once said, "God is not happy (but he is grinning)".

"The Replacement Killers" Fail In Hong Kong Action Film Style

review by Joel D. Stevens

As the credits roll across the screen in the opening scenes of "The Replacement Killers," a man obscured by shadows and menacing photography slowly dissects a crowded dance floor and calmly proceeds to kill six men in a balletic whirl of gunfire. America, meet Chow Yun-Fat, Hong Kong action film superstar in his first Hollywood role.

It is in this stylish opening sequence, less than five minutes of screen time really, that Chow Yun-Fat is introduced as the steely, 9 mm-toting cool customer that made him a star in John Woo films "The Killer," "Hard-Boiled" and "A Better Tomorrow." But it is, ironically, in this same stylish opening sequence, apparent just how flawed "The Replacement Killer" is. The remainder of the narrative can never match the opening scene's intensity, much to my chagrin.

Yun-Fat plays John Lee, a professional killer who has an unexpected conscience crisis when directed to murder the 7-year-old son of a meddlesome detective (Michael Rooker) at the command of sinister Chinese crime boss, Mr. Wei (Kenneth Tsang). Lee is a reluctant killer, skilled at his job, but pushed into it by an unknown debt owed to Wei (a debt the film unfortunately fails to delve into). Fearing for his life and his family in mainland China after betraying Wei, Lee must flee the United States. Enter, Mira Sorvino as wise-cracking forger Meg Coburn who specializes in producing fake identification for those seeking "flight from prosecution" (she makes passports for criminals).

Of course Lee is pursued by Wei's minions (led by notorious bad guy actor Jürgen Prochnow) and Sorvino is caught up in the gunfight. Her lab is destroyed and both of them run from Wei's men and the cops. After several failed attempts to kill elusive gunslinger Lee and Coburn, Wei calls in "replacement killers" to finish the job Lee could not. Mix in some typical shoot-outs (at a car wash, a movie theater, etc.) and lots — I mean lots — of bullets and less dialogue

than I prefer and you get the gist of this predictable, 88-minute shoot-out.

The problem with this particular brand of action movie (the Hong Kong style shoot 'em up) is that it's so easy to do so wrong. It's more than the flashy pyrotechnics, imaginative gunplay and shadowy lighting "The Replacement Killers" has plenty of. The Hong Kong action film is a particular kind of action film, with flawed and ambiguous good guys and bad guys, disturbing violence and graceful shoot-outs unmatched by American action films. American moviegoers have seen every type of action film there is.

By removing that edge, you lose what made the Hong Kong action film such an entertaining genre to begin with and replace it with American action film stock characters and cliché high-concept plots. The old truism of films rings true — American films are about plots and foreign films are about characters; even if it is just an action movie.

Twenty-two year old, first time feature director, Antoine Fuqua appears to have a visual style — reminiscent of director Tony Scott — crafted in his experience as a music video director. What he lacks is a grasp of pace or Ken Sanzel's underwritten script. He does nothing "different" with this film. It's reduced to action sequences that go nowhere.

Yun-Fat, the talented Sorvino and a great character actor like Rooker are wasted here. They don't have anything to do but pull triggers. Maybe this can be explained as Yun-Fat's first "rookie mistake" in Hollywood: he chose a genre piece he knew he could handle with his newly learned English. I certainly hope it's not indicative of what Hollywood has in mind for Chow Yun-Fat's talents in future Hollywood projects. If it is, I hope he returns to the Hong Kong cinema. I have too much respect for him as an actor to see him in another "Replacement Killers" or worse yet, a Jean-Claude Van Damme movie.

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"The Other Woman," a vocal group, entertain students at a concert sponsored by SPO. The event was part of an ongoing tribute to Black History month.

AIDS Deaths Decline In U.S.

College Press Service

CHICAGO — A 44 percent drop in the number of AIDS deaths across the United States during the first half of last year indicates the success of new treatments to control the disease, say officials of the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Deaths from AIDS peaked in 1994 and 1995 but fell in 1996. The downward spiral continued at an even faster rate last year, the CDC reported. According to the CDC, 12,040 Americans died of AIDS during the first six months of last year, compared to 21,460 who died during the first half of 1995.

Experts say the encouraging figures are the result of better treatments, not improvements in disease-prevention efforts. "Cocktails" — a three-drug mixture made up of two older AIDS drugs and more recently developed protease inhibitors — have dramatically changed AIDS care and are giving many sufferers longer life expectancies.

With fewer people dying, the number of Americans living with AIDS is up 13 percent to 259,000. While the CDC cannot say precisely how many Americans are infected with HIV, it estimates between 400,000 and 650,000 people.

... And The Band Played On

College Press Service

CHAMPAIGN-URBANA, Ill. — It was a song that normally makes their playlist, but one many students at the University of Illinois said their pep band should have dropped when President Bill Clinton spoke on campus Jan. 28.

"What are they thinking?" one young man yelled to reporters who snickered as the band belted out Kansas' 1970s hit "Carry on Wayward Son."

Still reeling from the wake of an alleged sex scandal involving former White House intern Monica Lewinsky, Clinton walked on stage to a standing ovation. However, the irony of the music that preceded him wasn't lost on many students sitting in the audience.

The song's first verse: "Carry on my wayward son. There'll be peace when you are done. Lay your weary head to rest. Don't you cry no more."

As Clinton departed, the band played the theme song from "Rocky."

Kent State Votes To Open Hearings

College Press Service

KENT, Ohio — Students who get into trouble at Kent State University will have to face more than the judicial court when their disciplinary hearings roll around.

The university's board of trustees voted Feb. 3 to open such hearings to the public unless a victim or alleged violator wants them closed. Hearing officers also may close a proceeding if information being discussed could harm a victim or witness.

Though a few public universities have opened their hearings under order from the courts, it is unusual for one to do so voluntarily.

"People don't trust colleges and universities," R.P. Flynn, the university's coordinator of judicial affairs told the Chronicle of Higher Education. "They don't believe that we act in the best interest of the students and taxpayers and various other constituents. I tell you that we do. But us telling you that isn't good enough. People need

to see what we do for themselves."

Two other public universities in Ohio are caught in litigation over whether students' disciplinary records are public information. Last month, the U.S. Department of Education filed suit against Ohio State and Miami universities, claiming the schools are violating the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, also known as the Buckley Amendment, when they release disciplinary records with students' names attached. The amendment prohibits colleges and universities from releasing education records containing "personally identifiable information" without a student's permission. At issue is whether disciplinary records can be considered education records.

Flynn said he doesn't think Kent's new policy violates the amendment because students must give permission for their disciplinary hearings to be open.

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College Student Finds World War II Papers In Senator's Home

(UPI)

NEW CONCORD, Ohio — A man renting Sen. John Glenn's Ohio home reportedly has found military plans dated 1951 calling for an atomic bombing and invasion of a USSR-occupied Norway by the Second Marine Division.

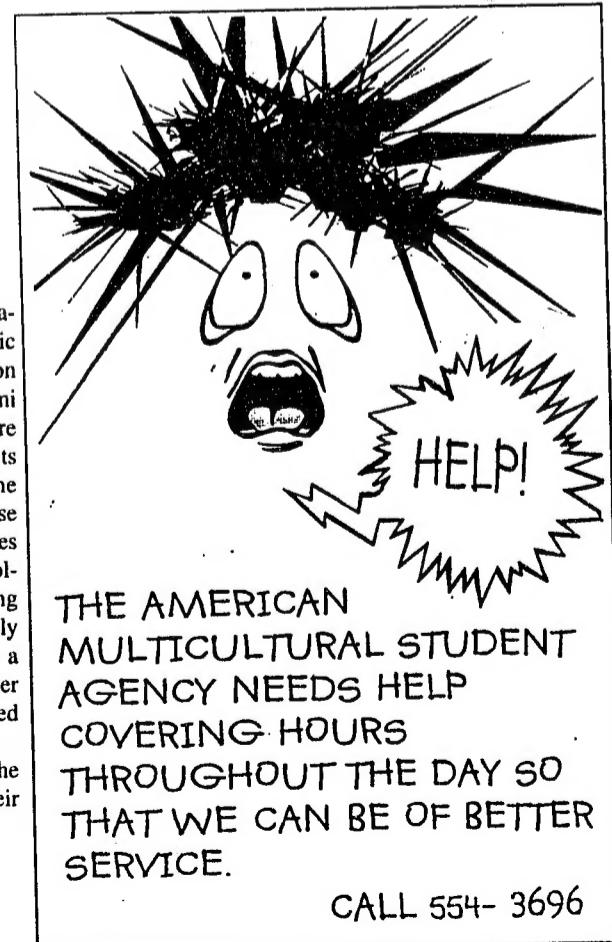
Glenn spokesman Jack Sparks told the Dayton Daily News the plans may have been part of a war game scenario. The papers, entitled "Amphibious Project Problem Norway" was found by Muskingum College student Brent Lewis in Glenn's basement. Some of the files stamped "CONFIDENTIAL. Do not return. To be destroyed when it has served its purpose" — call for the Air Force to drop atomic bombs equal to the 20 kiloton bomb (20,000 tons of TNT) dropped on Hiroshima

just six years previously.

Glenn, who in 1951 had flown 59 combat missions during World War II, was stationed at the Marine training facility at Quantico, Va., for amphibious warfare training before being sent to Korea and on an additional 63 combat missions.

Sparks told the newspaper that Glenn did not remember the Norway papers and it was unclear whether the documents were, or are, classified. The invasion, scheduled for mid-1952, was to have been launched from Reykjavik, Iceland.

Sparks said the documents were the kinds of personal papers that Glenn intends eventually to donate to Ohio State University.



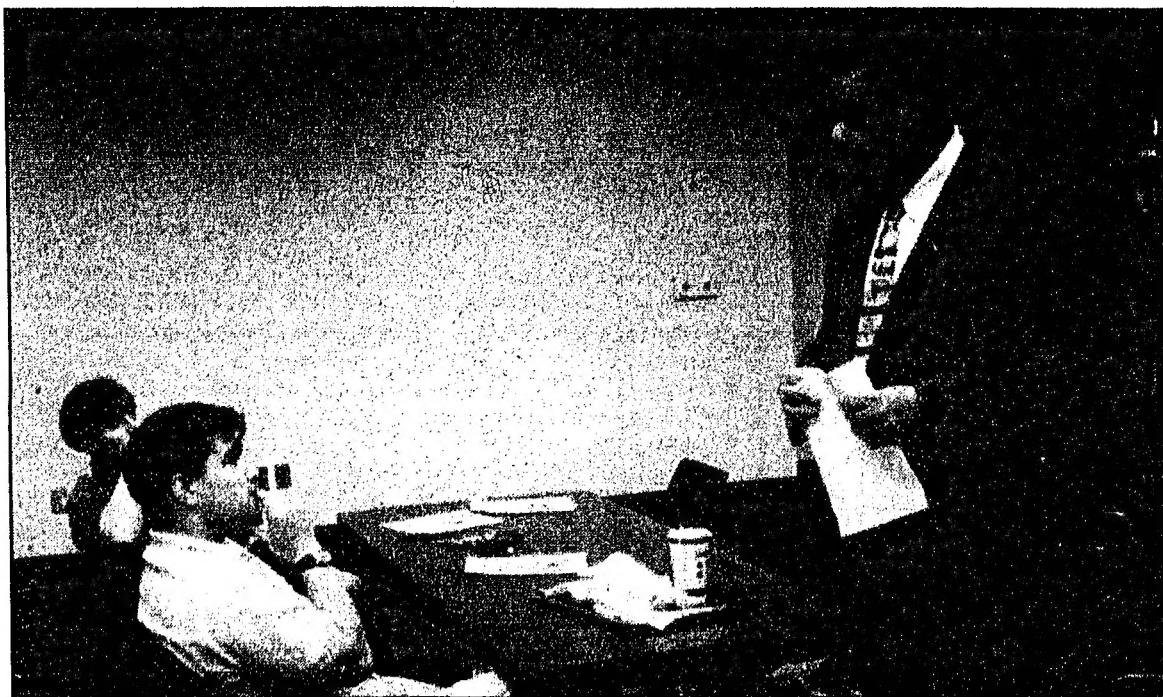


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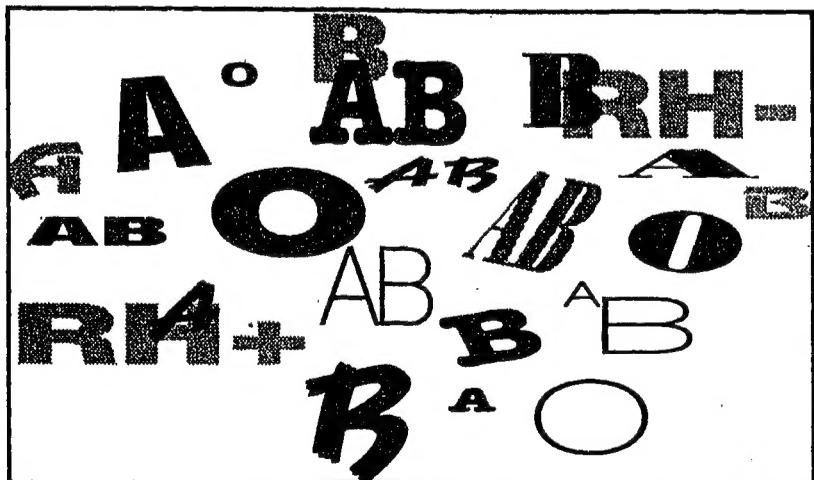
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Cancer Virus Threatens Young Women

UPI Science News
(UPI)

BOSTON - A study of students at one campus suggests an alarming number of college-age women are infected with a virus that has the potential to cause cervical cancer.

In a three-year study of more than 600 college women, scientists from the Albert Einstein Cancer Center in the Bronx, N.Y., found about 60 percent of the women were infected with HPV at some time during the study. They say the study reveals a high risk of exposure to HPV for heterosexual men and women in a college environment.

But they also found that

infection rates declined throughout the study period, indicating that the immune system can fight off the virus. The scientists recommended that doctors who treat young women should consider HPV infection as mainly short-lived. They add that the doctors should wait before cutting out abnormal cells associated with HPV because they may go away on their own. One kind of HPV abnormality, however, known as squamous intraepithelial lesion, is a pre-cancerous condition.

The study will be published Thursday in the New

England Journal of Medicine. The scientists conducted the study by recruiting women at a state university in New Brunswick, N.J., and giving them laboratory tests for the virus and a questionnaire about their lifestyles at six-month intervals. The women were on average 20 years old.

Dr. Penny Hitchcock of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in Bethesda, Md., says, "The incidence of HPV infection in sexually active young college women is alarming." The study was supported by the NIAID.

Students Balk At Suing Up With Nike

College Press Service

TUSCON, Ariz. — Many students and faculty at the University of Arizona question whether the school's team uniforms and sporting equipment should carry Nike's familiar swoosh logo.

They've asked university officials to block a deal that would save the school \$2 million a year on the purchase of athletic clothes, equipment and shoes. The school's senate has agreed to discuss the proposal, as well as how advertisements, announcements and other forms of commercialism should be a part of student athletics.

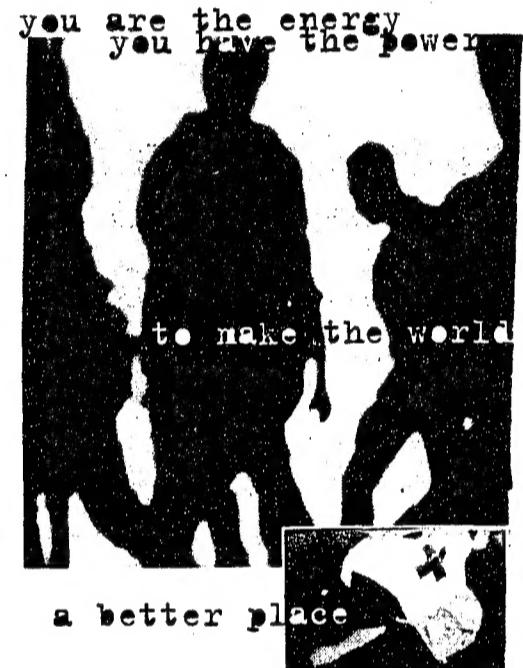
Accepting goods from Nike amounts to little more than endorsing its products and saying "that we will do anything for money,"

physics Professor J.D. Garcia told Scripps-McClatchy Western Service. "The fact that other universities do silly things doesn't mean that we should."

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Students who are challenging the proposed deal — which university Athletic Director Jim Livengood said is within a few months of completion — are focusing on allegations that Nike runs sweatshops overseas.

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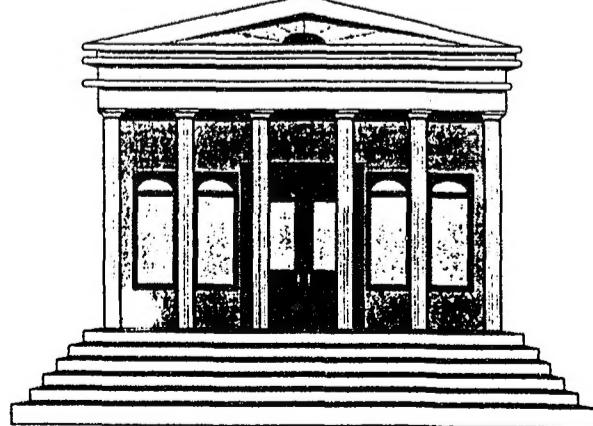
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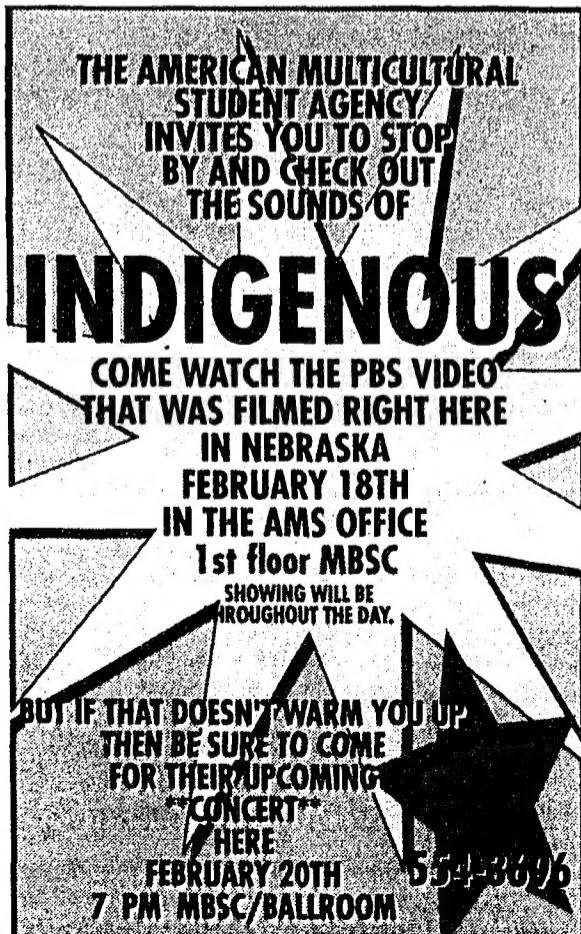
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Man Confesses To CU Student's Murder

by Christine Tatum
College Press Service

Police suspect the killer of University of Colorado student Susannah Chase is still on the loose, even though they say a man in Tacoma, Wash., has confessed to the crime. Kelly Ray Thompson, 30, pleaded not guilty Wednesday to a first-degree murder charge in connection with the stabbing death of 41-year-old Cathy Jean Jacks-Webb of Tacoma. However, he reportedly told investigators he is responsible for killings in California, Colorado and Texas — Chase's among them. Police decline to say how many. A Washington sheriff's deputy arrested Thompson earlier this week after stopping him for erratic driving and finding him with blood splattered on his clothes. The deputy reported that Thompson confessed to killing Jacks-Webb and her boyfriend. But when authorities went to Jacks-Webb's home, they found her lying dead on the kitchen floor, and her boyfriend still alive. The boyfriend told police he heard nothing after falling asleep earlier that night. Thompson later told investigators he had slipped medications into the boyfriend's beer. The inconsistencies of Thompson's story

The deputy reported that Thompson confessed to killing Jacks-Webb and her boyfriend.

caused investigators to dismiss some of his other claims, but prompted two detectives from Boulder to travel to Washington to question him. "It does not appear he was Susannah's murderer because it does not appear he was in Boulder at the time of the homicide," said Leslie Aaholm, a spokeswoman for the city of Boulder. "His story just didn't work." The last time anyone saw 23-year-old Chase alive, she was walking home by herself around 1:30 a.m. on Dec. 21. Police say the junior American studies major had had a couple of beers, gotten into an argument with her boyfriend and decided to leave him and

another man sitting in a pizza parlor not far away from her off-campus apartment. By the time they found her two hours later, police said Chase had been beaten so badly they couldn't tell if she was a man or a woman. She died two days later. Aaholm said investigators are still on the Colorado case and are actively pursuing other leads. A \$20,000 reward is offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction of Chase's killer, she said.

Former Tutors Allege Class Loading

By Ben Berkowitz Daily Trojan University of Southern California

LOS ANGELES — At the University of Southern California, several classes last semester had a significant percentage of athletes — in some cases more than 40 percent — according to documents obtained by the Daily Trojan. About 4 percent of undergraduates are student-athletes. The allegations were made in a memo, dated Sept. 2, by Dr. Christopher Cairney, director of learning support at Student Athlete Academic Services. "In certain courses in the current semester, classes are 'loaded' with student athletes," Cairney said in the memo. Cairney has been on administrative leave since Sept. 8 for an unrelated reason. That memo was sent to the athletic oversight committee, which is under the Provost's Office. The oversight committee was created in the spring of 1996 to monitor the athletic department and make sure that the university remained in compliance with Pacific 10 Conference and NCAA regulations. While the practice does not specifically violate university policy, the committee has paid attention to the claims. That's one of the issues we're looking into," university general counsel Todd Dickey said, in reference to class loading. He said that the committee is in the process of preparing the final report for the Provost's Office. Allegations have been made recently by Cairney and other tutors in SAAS that classes were improperly loaded with student-athletes. Janice Henry, the assistant director of SAAS and the academic counselor for football players, was at the center of the university investigation in the spring of 1996. The investigation looked into a class, CTSE 301, in which, according to reports in the Los Angeles Times, 30 athletes were enrolled, out of 40 total students. All but one of the athletes received an A. At that time, it was alleged that Henry was pushing athletes into the class, because it was supposed to be easy to pass. In March 1996, as the investigation was concluding, Henry went on six weeks' leave. At the time, she said it was for personal reasons. The professor who taught the course, Vernon Broussard, has retired, and the class is no longer taught. Broussard was unavailable for comment. In June of this year, Henry was promoted to assistant director of SAAS, while also retaining her previous duties as the counselor for the football team. Cairney has accused Henry of being responsible for the class loading alleged to have occurred this year. Henry declined to comment on the investigation or any of the allegations against her or SAAS. "We're waiting for the investigation to be concluded, and then we'll go from there," said USC Sports Information Director Tim Tessalone. A review of athlete-specific documents obtained by the Daily Trojan shows a high number of athletes enrolled

in certain courses during the fall 1997 semester.* Out of 14,750 undergraduates, 551 are student athletes, or 4 percent, according to documents reviewed by the Daily Trojan. * Out of 200 students in Earth Sciences 107, 39 students, or 20 percent, are athletes. In Critical Studies 466, 72 of the 274 students are athletes, or 26 percent. Of 117 students in History 200, 44 students, or 38 percent, are athletes. History 346 has eight athletes out of 26 students, or 31 percent.* Certain other classes also appear to be loaded with athletes. Of the 35 students in Sociology 331, 15 students, or 43 percent, are athletes. A total of 60 athletes, or 50 percent of the 120 students enrolled, are taking EDPT (Educational Psychology and Technology) 110.* Of those classes, History 200 and Geology 107 are general education courses. History 346 is a diversity course. The others are major or elective courses. Edwin Perkins, who teaches History 215, a class that does not appear to be loaded, said he does not get many athletes in his course. "I think it's five out of 50," he said. Robert Douglas, who teaches Earth Sciences 107, a class appearing to be loaded, said that a high number of athletes in his class is regular. "I frequently have athletes in the class," Douglas said. He said that his course is a popular general education course that many students enjoy taking. Myron Dembo, who teaches EDPT 110, said that some athletes are required to take his class because they do not do well in a normal classroom learning environment. He said that certain athletes have study or work habits that lead them toward requiring special attention, such as receiving extra assistance from professors, or working in environments they find more comfortable or relaxing. Professor Terry Seip, who teaches History 200, and professor Thomas Cox, who teaches History 346, both courses with high numbers of athletes, declined comment. One question that has been asked is whether or not class loading violates any university regulations. "There's no policy that specifies that the proportion of athletes is limited to a specific number," said Joe Hellige, the vice provost for undergraduate studies. "(A class having a lot of athletes) might cause us to look at it and wonder why." He said that the athletic oversight committee, using grade and enrollment reports from the Registrar's Office, determines when and if certain classes have become a problem. However, he said that there is no specific university rule or policy that would be violated by having a large number of athletes in one class. Officials in the academic advisement office in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, declined comment on class loading.

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Free Falling

Northern Colorado sweeps Mavs again

by Jason Kuiper

Northern Colorado gave the Maverick cagers a pair of unwelcome Valentine gifts Saturday night, two losses at home.

After the first half the Lady Mavs looked as though they were going to take the monkey that has been riding their backs and boot him straight out of Sapp Fieldhouse. The Lady Bears had other ideas however, and used the second half to run and gun the Lady Mavs, 100-90.

The Lady Mavs had four players in double-digits, out-rebounded the 12th ranked Lady Bears, and had fewer turnovers. The Lady Bears fast paced offense created 65 transition points as the Lady Mavs lost their 12th straight. "This is the craziest thing I've ever been involved with. Our practices are good, our spirits are good, and we're staying positive," said Lady Mav head coach Cherri Mankenberg.

The Lady Mavs were trailing 21-15 midway through the first half when Jacinda Van Fossen caught fire. The senior center sank a pair of free throws which led to her scoring the Lady Mavs next 10 points, eight coming on layups. "It was really open on the inside tonight. Once I scored a few points I knew I could take it all night long," said Van Fossen.

Van Fossen's run tied the game at 25-25. The Lady Mavs used a 6-0 run with under five minutes to go in the half to take a 36-31 lead. The Lady Bears closed out the half with a three pointer by Missy McVoy to cut into the Lady Mav lead, 49-45. That shot would be a dose of what would be in store for the Lady Mavs in the second half as McVoy was ready to go off.

The Lady Bears started the second half with an 8-0 run to take the lead 53-49. The Lady Mavs went ice cold as they couldn't score until three minutes into the half when

Sarah Larson scored on a layup. The Lady Mavs were able to cut the lead to one as Larson hit a jumper with 15:43 to make the score 54-53. They would get no closer as the Lady Bears used a steady diet of the inside game of Marianne Clark, and the sharp shooting of McVoy and Shannon St. Martin to topple the Lady Mavs. McVoy nailed a jumper with eight minutes to go to extend the Lady Bears lead, 85-66. McVoy scored 18 points in the second half to give her 27 for the night. "Someone had to come out and do the scoring tonight," said Lady Bears head coach Greg Bruce of McVoy's night.

With five minutes to go, the Lady Mavs finally got their offense clicking and started to cut into the lead. The Lady Mavs outscored the Lady Bears 14-9 in that span but it proved to be little to late.

Van Fossen led all Lady Mavs with 24 points followed by Larson's 14 points. Jill Ohm had her first career double-double with 13 points and 12 rebounds. Jenny DeSmet closed out the Lady Mav scoring with 10 points. After McVoy's 27 points, Clark had 26 and St. Martin scored 18 points for the Lady Bears. The loss drops the Lady Mavs to 8-15 and 2-12 in the North Central Conference. The Lady Bears improve to 18-5 and 10-4 in the NCC.

After the high-scoring action of the first game, the second game of the night looked like it took place in slow motion as the Bears won 62-60.

The Mavs trailed 10-9 after the first 10 minutes. Brian Trapkus' layup was followed by Charles Thompson's third dunk of the half to give the Mavs a 13-10 lead. The Mavs then went ice cold as the Bears scored the next 16 points. The Mavs ended their five minute scoring draught when Kevin Jones hit a pair

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Sports

Seven is a Lucky Number

UNO blows out Mankato and is unbeaten in last six
by Andy Nordmeier

The UNO-Mankato State series would not be one to show a child how to be a goaltender. The teams combined for 24 goals on the weekend and scored almost at will. When the ice chips settled, the men in red from Omaha proved they were the real Mavericks.

The UNO Mav hockey team pushed its win streak to four and is unbeaten in its last six games after posting a pair of 7-4 wins over Mankato State Mavs this past weekend in the Mankato Civic Center.

The offensive firestorm was the key to posting the first series sweep on the road in school history. Both games saw UNO trail in the first period then come back with at least five unanswered goals in each game.

Saturday night had the bigger of the two comebacks. UNO found itself staring at a 2-0 deficit after the opening period on the strength of MSU goals from Tyler Deis and Tim Wolfe on the power play. Those would be the only two power-play goals in five opportunities for MSU on the night. UNO goaltender Kendall Sidoruk kept his team in it by stopping 15 of the 17 shots he saw in the period while MSU's Des Christopher stopped all four UNO shots in the period.

Jason White cut the gap to 2-1 when he scored just 19 seconds into the middle period to give UNO a momentum burst. That burst lasted until the 1:38 mark when MSU's Rob White scored to give his team a 3-1 lead. MSU

pushed its way out to a 4-1 lead just under two minutes later when Deis scored his second of the night at 3:27.

Again Sidoruk played well and kept UNO in it as he stopped a total of 26 shots in the first two periods while Christopher had kicked aside 11 of the 12 shots in the same time.

The third period saw Christopher get lit up like a Christmas tree as he gave up six UNO goals in 13 minutes to break the game wide open.

Defenseman Ryan Bencurik started the scoring party when he punched one home at 2:11. He bagged his second of the game two minutes later when he took a Jason Cupp pass and beat Christopher on the power play at the 4:10 mark to cut the deficit to 4-3.

James Chalmers tied the game up at 5:30 when he took his turn in the shooting gallery and lit the lamp. Dave Noel-Bernier and Andrew Tortorella picked up assists on the goal.

The eventual game-winner was scored on the power play by defenseman Josh Lampman. His goal at the 7:50 mark finished the rally and gave UNO its first lead of the night. As if that weren't enough, Billy Pugliese got in on the action and ripped one behind Christopher at 8:58 for a 6-4 lead.

Noel-Bernier added an insurance goal at 15:28 to seal the win. Tortorella assisted on the goal and he wound up with three assists on the night. Cupp also bagged a pair of help-see HOCKEY, Page 14

Taming the Panthers

Creighton and Medina lose but Mavs still win
by Andy Nordmeier

The Mav wrestling team overcame a slow start and used a trio of quick pins to beat the Panthers of Northern Iowa 27-16 in a dual meet on Friday night.

"The three pins were big tonight," Mav head coach Mike Denney said. "We wrestled tough and we got on a roll."

The Mavs dropped the first two matchups on the night and it looked as if the Mavs could have been in for a long night. Mack LaRock, the Mavs' starter at 118 pounds, had his hands full in a battle with Eric Keller who was ranked tenth in Division I.

Keller took control of the match from the onset and never yielded a point to LaRock in his 8-0 victory. The win by major decision gave the Panthers a quick 4-0 lead in the team standings.

That lead lasted all of 10 seconds. That was the amount of time it took Mav 126-pounder Jeff Nielsen to walk on to the mat and get his hand raised for a forfeit victory. The win gave the Mavs a 6-4 team lead.

Braumon Creighton suffered his third loss of the season at 134 pounds in a controversial penalty call late in the third period.

He was wrestling the Panthers' Nick Flach in a tight match that saw each man score a single point for escaping a hold to set up the finish.

"I had his head and arm in a figure four," Creighton said. "It was like a headlock."

Referee Phil Pisasale called Creighton for

an illegal hold with eight seconds left that gave Flach one point and an upset win.

"I asked (Mike) Manning (the Panther coach) and he said it was legal," Creighton said.

Creighton stormed off the mat in frustration and spiked his headgear down on his way out.

"I'm not used to losing, the pain of it is indescribable," the 31-3 Creighton said. "There will be no more close matches."

The Mavs could have let the loss get to them but Boyce Voorhees quickly turned things around in his match with Panther 142-pounder Kevin Weber. Voorhees opened with a quick takedown but Weber escaped from the hold and Voorhees held a 2-1 lead. It would lead to Weber getting his choice of position to start the second period. He chose down and paid the price for it halfway through the period when Voorhees pressed his shoulders to the mat. The pin gave the Mavs back the lead in the team race at 12-7 and also brought the crowd to life.

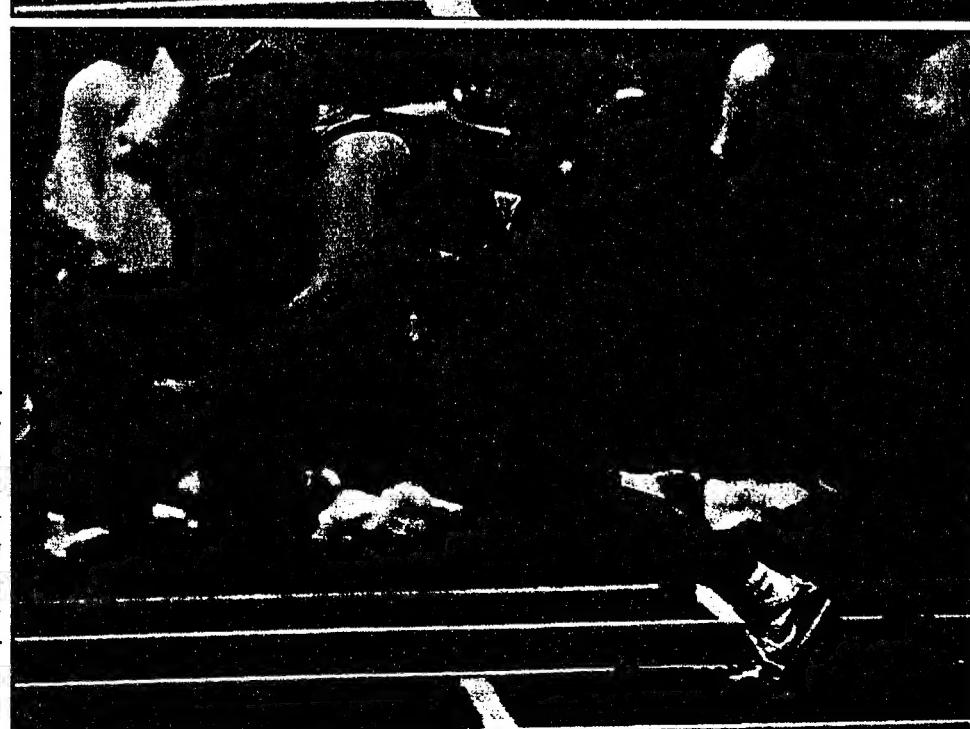
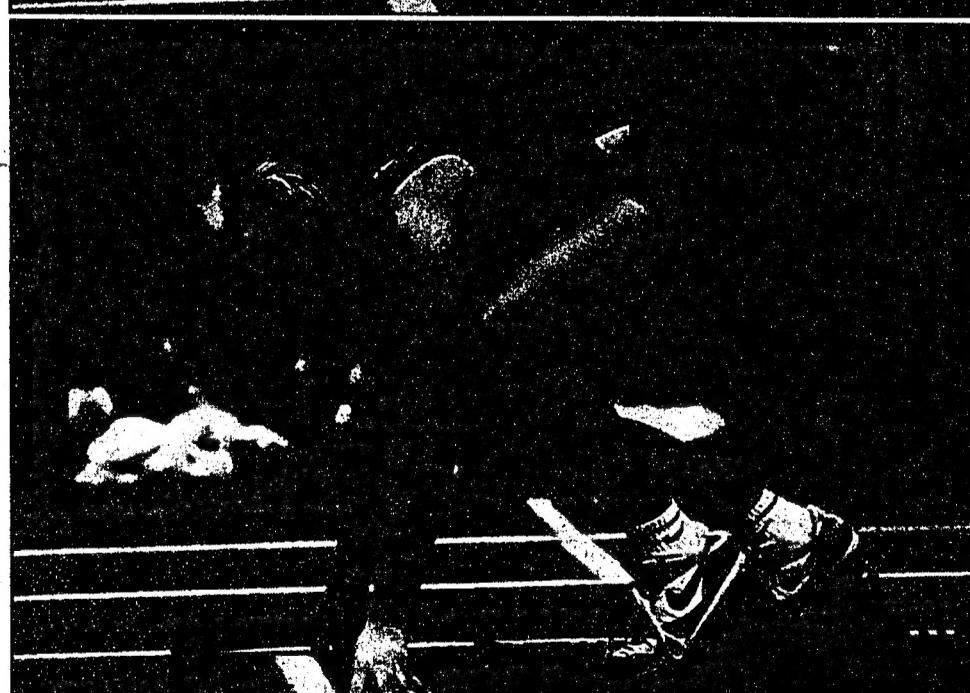
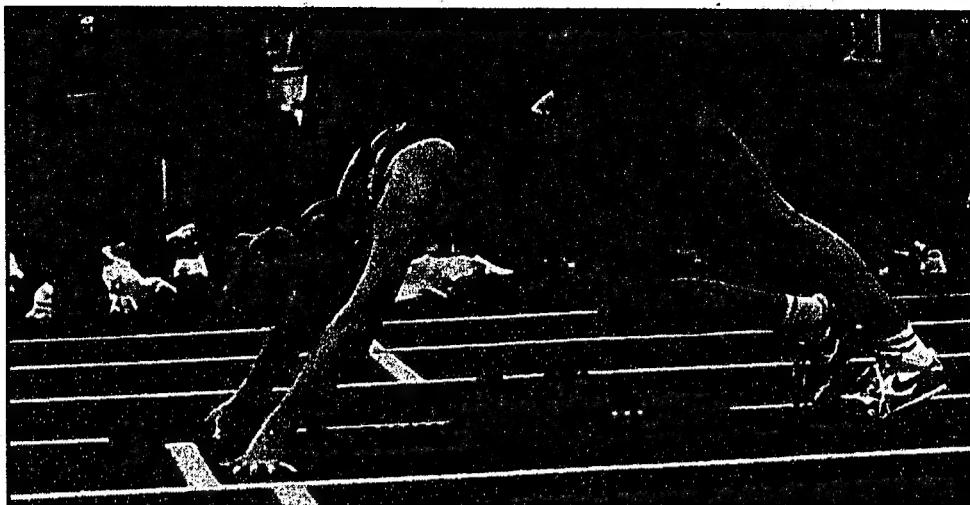
"He happened to roll and was nearly off of the mat," Voorhees said about the pin, "but I had to suck him back in."

The momentum carried through the next two matches as the Mavs' Michael Butts scored a 6-5 win over the Panthers' Glenn Pero and Albert Harrold scored the Mavs second pin of the evening.

Harrold dominated the Panthers' Jason see WRESTLING, Page 14

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Lady Mav runner
Karisa Fought
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Haag from the opening moments of the matchup in 158 pounds. Harrold scored a takedown and two near fall points in the last minute of the first period for a quick 4-0 lead. He used his positioning from the near fall to twist Haag around and pin him with one second left in the opening period.

The wins gave the Mavs a 21-7 lead but the Panthers would rally to make things interesting.

The rally began at 167 pounds when Robert Armey scored a 3-1 decision over Desmond Wilford of the Mavs. The key point in the match was that Wilford was called for stalling three times. The first one was a warning, the others led to two points for Armey and the win.

The Panthers continued to cut into the Mav lead at 177 pounds when the Ken Bigley edged the Mavs' Jason Brilz 9-7. The two went back and forth for the duration trading takedowns and escapes. Brilz tried to mount a feverish rally at the end as he was down 8-7 in the last 12 seconds of the meet. He let Bigley back up for an escape and a 9- lead but was unable to score a

final takedown to tie the match up.

The Mavs lost their third straight match in a row at 190 pounds when Jose Medina dropped an 11-7 decision to the Panthers' Ben Barton. The match was even at the end of the first period at 3-3 and Medina held a 4-3 through two periods.

The scoring fireworks started soon after as Barton, ranked No. 20 in Division I, scored three takedowns in the final period to post the win and bring the Panthers back into striking range at 21-16.

The Panthers needed a pin in the heavyweight match to complete the rally and win the meet and they got it. Trouble was their man had his back on the mat. The Mavs' Jerry Corner sealed the win by pinning Mike Camenzind at the 2:11 mark of the opening period.

"UNO did a good job," Panther head coach Mark Manning said, "and our team doesn't know how to fight."

The Mavs will close out the regular season this weekend when they visit North Dakota on Friday and national No. 2 North Dakota State on Saturday.



The Mavs' Albert Harrold (top) turns the world of Northern Iowa's Jason Haag upside down just before pinning him Saturday night in the 158-pound division.

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of free throws to make the score 26-15. The freshman guard hit another free throw with under a minute to go to end the Mavs scoring for the half. Bears center Ryan Adle hit a jumper in the final seconds to push the lead to 28-16 at the intermission.

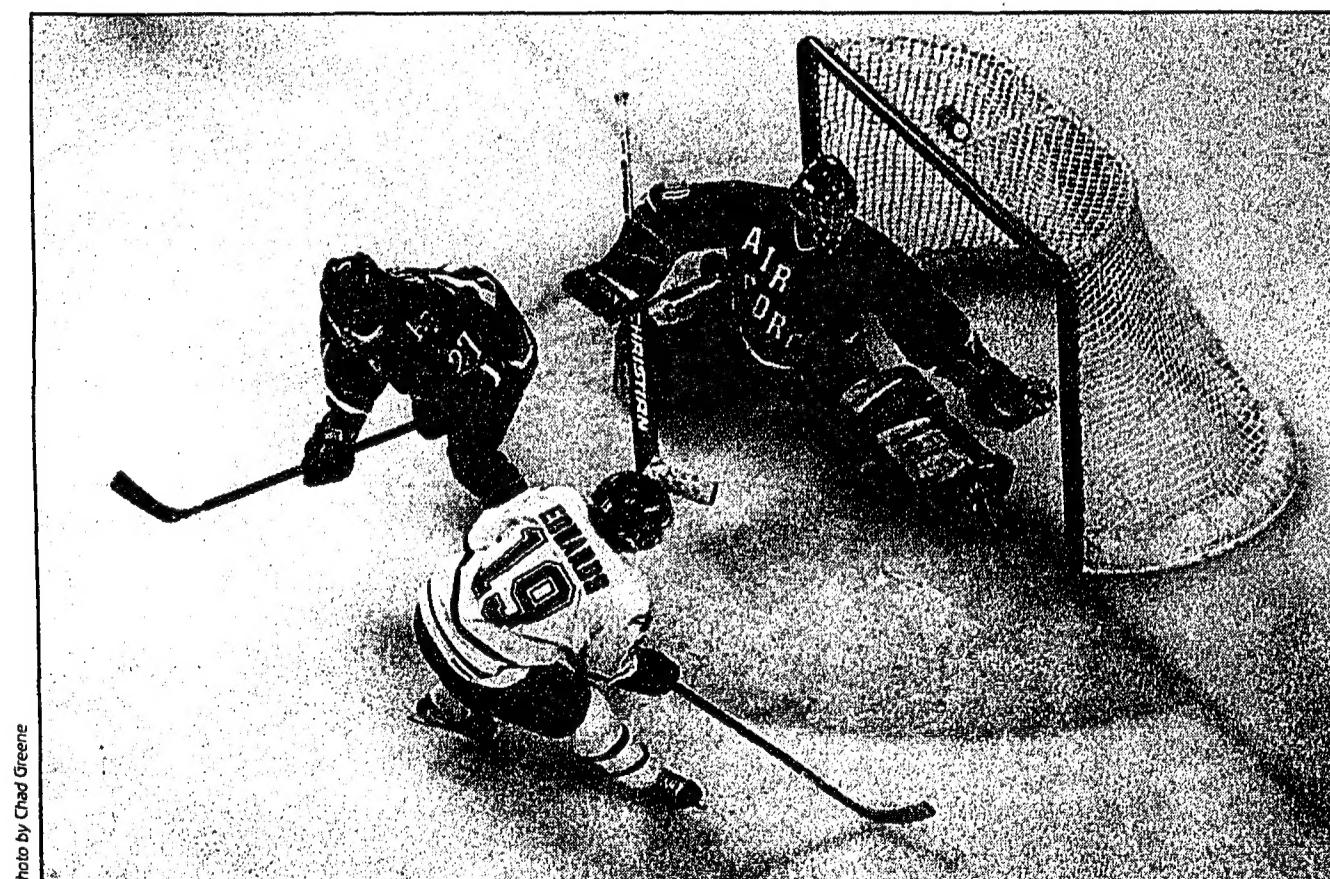
The Mavs shot 20 percent (6 for 30) from the field and were out rebounded 26-17 in the first half. "I've never been through a half like that before," said Mav head coach Kevin Lehman.

The Bears were 12 for 28 from the field and had 12 turnovers in the half.

The Bears went ahead 32-16 on a layup by David Britt after the first minute of the second half. The Mavs were able to cut into the lead after a Corey Griffin jumper made the score 40-32 with just over 10 minutes to go. The next eight minutes of the game belonged to the Bear's senior guard Antwine Williams. Williams, the NCC's second leading scorer, burned the Mavs for 11 points in that span and raised the Bears lead to 17 points, 60-43.

Mike Simons buried consecutive three pointers with 2:13 to go and start the Mavs comeback bid. The Mavs Charles Box drilled a three pointer with under a minute to go to make the score 61-54. Robert Green added a pair of buckets with 18 seconds left to pull the Mavs within three, 61-58. The Mavs were unable to hit the front end of a one and one and with four seconds to go Green fouled Bear guard, Mickael Allen. Allen hit his first free throw to make the score 62-58. After the miss on the second free throw, Box hit a layup in the final seconds to end the game.

Lehman felt that the Mavs season-low 60 points had to do with three of his top shooters going cold in the same night. Box, who led the Mavs with 12 points, was 5 for 15. Griffin was 3 for 10 on the night and Simons went 2 for 13. Green was the only other Mav in double figures with 10 points while Robert Wettstein grabbed 13 rebounds. The Bears had three players in double figures led by Williams 19 points. The Mavs drop to 10-13 and 4-10 in the NCC while the Bears go to 13-10 and 6-8 in the conference.



Mav captain Jeff Edwards (center) tries to zip one past the outstretched glove of Air Force goaltender Aaron Ratfield (right) while Air Force's Paul Hilfer (left) looks for the rebound.

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ers and Chalmers and Noel-Bernier each finished the night with a goal and an assist.

In Friday night's game, the scoring came early and often for both squads but UNO posted three second-period goals to rally and win.

UNO had an early lead on a Bencurik goal just 55 seconds into the game on the power play.

The lead was erased at 4:14 on a goal from MSU's Rob White and they took their first lead of the night four minutes later on a Ryan Schrick goal at 8:53.

UNO wing Derek Reynolds tied the game back up at 2-2 on his unassisted goal at 11:03 of the opening period. The UNO lead was taken away at 14:56 when Ryan Rintoul beat UNO's Jason Mitchell for a 3-2 lead.

Tortorella tied the game up at 17:59 with his first goal since being suspended for six games.

Mitchell stopped 13 of 16 shots he saw and Christopher saved 12 of 15 UNO drives on the net in the period. The second period saw UNO score three more times and chase Christopher out of the net.

Joe Yurecko, from nearby Edina, Minn., scored in front of his family and friends at 6:58 to give UNO a 4-3 lead. It swelled to 5-3 on a Chalmers power play goal at 11:52 that would be the game-winner.

Pugliese closed out the second period scoring with a goal at 18:26. It gave UNO a 6-3 cushion and sent Christopher to the showers.

UNO got a third period goal off the stick of Mike Skoglund as he beat backup goaltender Brian Nelson at the 6:21 mark for

a 7-3 lead.

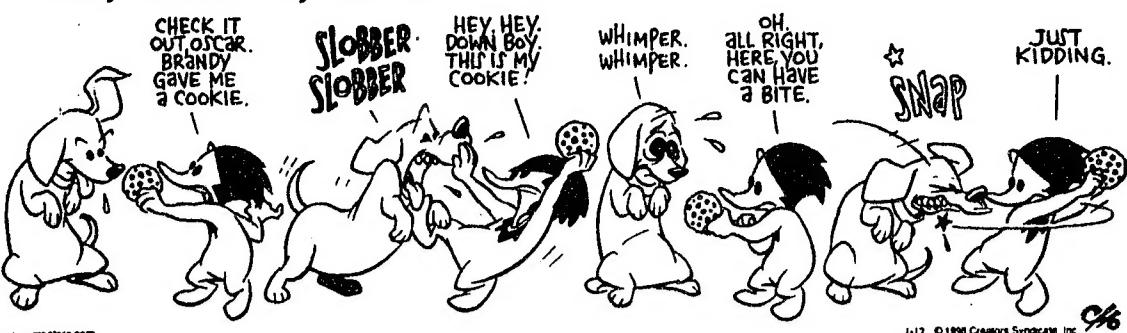
The lone downside for UNO was a short-handed tally by MSU's Andy Fermyole with under three minutes left in the game.

For the weekend, UNO went 4 out of 12 with the man advantage, had 10 different goal scorers and 21 assists on the series. Bencurik led the way with three goals and Cupp added five assists.

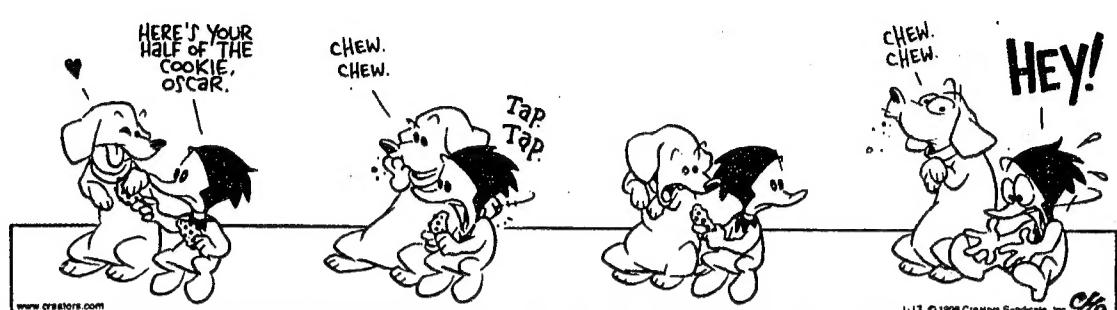
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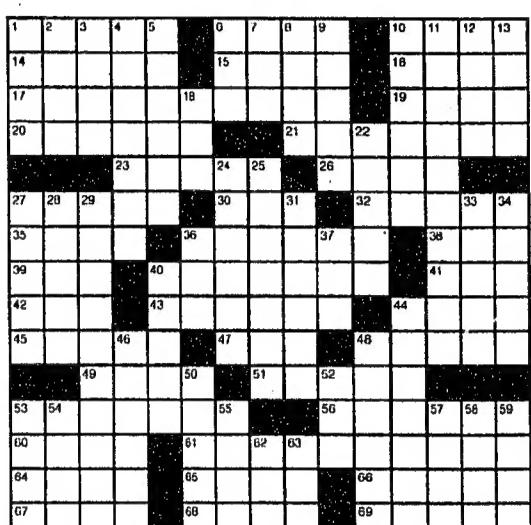


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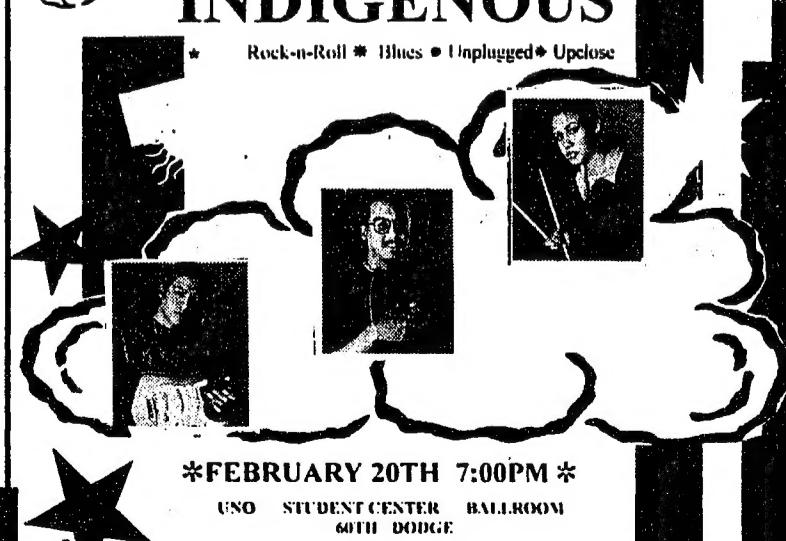
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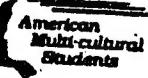
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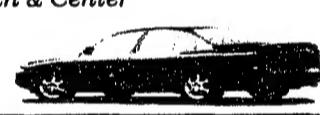
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